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## Allies Cut German Connecting Link Between Lille and the Ostend Sector

LONDON, Oct. 15.-American troops on patrol crossed the Selle river in the neighborhood of St. Souplet, south of Le Cateau, yesterday and took thirty prisoners, Field Marshal Haig announced in an official report today.

LONDON, Oct. 15.—Serbian forces advancing north of Nish on Sunday captured on a large front all the heights which dominate both banks of the Morava river, according to an official announcement made here today.

PARIS, Oct. 15.—French troops have made an important advance toward the town of Rethel and have captured the town of Nanteuil-sur-Aisne, two and one-half miles west of Rethel, says the war office statement today.

In the Argonne the French have reached the Aisne west of Grand Pre and have captured the villages of Olzy and Terms. Nearly 800 prisoners were taken in this region.

South of the Serre the French also have made marked progress. The towns of Remies, Barentoncel and Monceaule-Wast have been taken.

LONDON, Oct. 15 -Belgian troops are on the outskirts of Menin and are within two miles of Courtrai.

The Allies also are in effective artillery range of the railway from Lille to Thourout by way of Courtrai. This means Saturday and Sunday have been rethat the Allies dominate the connecting link between the Ger-covered. It is the opinion of rescue

LONDON, Oct. 15.—Several of Germany's largest torpedo boats recently left Zeebrugge, one of the German naval Duluth before daybreak. bases on the Belgian coast during a stormy night, according to a Dutch frontier message forwarded from Amsterdam on Monday to the Central News agency.

The German warships were filled to their capacity with soldies and proceeded for Germany. The Germans also are burned, half starved settlers who were report to be evacuating Ostend.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY NORTHWEST OF VERDUM Oct. 15, noon, by The Associated Press.—Tanks were brought into action by the Americans to break a way through the enemy wire entanglements west of Romagne.

Despite German resistance the progress of the Americans,

early reports said, was satisfactory today.

The Germans apparently were ready to contest the dians. Some however, saved themground as stubbornly as they did yesterday. The enemy ar- selves by taking refuge in lakes and tilley was being used freely to hold the Americans but the Yarkee gunners were doing much to break down the Ger- W. F. Rhino, who is directing the rescue work, it will be at least two and man resistance.

along most of its length and have ad-

Belgians Advance Five Miles.

LONDON, Oct. 14 .- The text of the

official statement issued at the war

office tonight, relative to the offensive

'The Flanders group of armies

inder the king of Belgium attacked at

:35 o'clock this morning. The Second

British army advanced about four and

one-half miles in the direction of

Courtrai, capturing the important vil-

lages of Ledeghem and Moorselle and

"The Belgian army also advanced

nearly five miles toward Thourout and

captured the villages of Rumbeke,

Roulers Occupied by French.

cupied Roulers as well as the villages

prisoners counted exceed 8000. Thirty

three hundred were taken by the Bel

batteries with their teams were cap-

tured just as they were about to with

'The French army attacked with

Iseghem, Cortemarck and Handzem.

reaching the northern outskirts

east of Chateau Porcein

in Belgium, follows:

(By the Associated Press.)

Keeping step with the American operations east of the Argonne, the French are moving forward west of the forest. West of Grand Pre Ger eral Gouraud has moved north of th Aisne and taken the towns of Olizy in the allied line.

Between the Argonnerand the Meuse the Americans are battling forward today through the German wire entan glements. Tanks have been brought up, especially in the region west of Romagne. As on Monday, the Germans are resisting stubbornly, but satisfactory progress is being made.

(By The Associated Press) Flanders, and from the Oise to leuse, the allied troops continue the vigorous blows for important As the French press on in the land Aisne region, the allied offen-sive in Belgium and the American operations west of the Meuse are being

renewed today with success. Smashing their way through the network of railways in western Flanders. the Belgian, French and British forces under King Albert are now within two miles of the important rail center of British troops on both flanks and oc-Courtmi. The allies also dominate with their guns the railroad running of Devron, Hooglede, Gits and St. Jo-from Lille to the Belgian coast by way seph. They also captured the plateaux of Courtrai and thus hamper, if they of Gits, Hooglede and Gibbete. The have lot cut off, all communication be-

tween Ostend and Lille. gians, 2500 by the French and 2200 by The German resistance in Flanders spears to be only for the purpose of selaying the allies until the evacuation of Belgium can be completed. The tnemy is reported to be evacuating stend and to be sending large boatdraw oads of troops away from the coastal

600 Discovered

and Many Hundreds Missing.

RESCUES TOO LATE

Many Deaths Among Indians—Some Take Refuge in Lake.

DULUTH, Minn., Oct. 15-More than 600 bodies of victims of the forest fires that raged in this vicinity

day from Moose Lake, Cloquet and

clear the roads and rebuild bridges covered miles of territory which has been untouched be rescue workers and searching parties and sent to refound wandering aimlessly.

Many of the bodies brought in today bore indication that death was caused by exposure and lack of food, rather than from burns. Many bodies were found in the outlying districts with heads and hands swathed in rude bandages, indicating that their lives might have been saved had help reached

them soon after the fire passed. The first rescue party into the Fond du lac Indian reservation brought re-

In the opinion of Adjutant-General possibly four more days before work of locating and bringing in bodare within a half mile of the Serre ies is complete.

Parties of veterinarians were sent vanced between five and six miles from here today in an effort to save rom Laon. Even the Aisne is fast some of the livestock which is wan-others. ing lost to the enemy as a means of dering through the burned districts. fense, The French now threaten thel, having captured Nanteuil-sur-So far as the forest fire is concerned disne, two and one-half miles west of damage. Pockets are reported to be and Termes, straightening out a bulge Rethel and about the same distance burning today in isolated districts. If fighters say, immediate danger is passed but a soaking rain will be required before the menace is entirely

> CHICAGO, Oct. 15-Property damage caused by the forest fires in Minnesota amounts to \$75,000,000 and the insurance losses will total \$25,000,000 according to computations made by insurance men here, it was announced today. Their estimate does not include the standing timber and the uninsured property. It is the consensus in insurance circles that the losses to insurance companies is the heaviest since the San Francisco fire,

## Christmas Packages Go to Siberia Before Oct. 25

the British. The exact number of guns WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 .- Christtaken is unknown but six complete mas packages for American soldiers in the invitation awaiting the result of "The British, Belgian and French besides the soldier's name and regi-aviators played a great part in the ment, the words "American Expedi-forces in defeating the unscrupulous, Between the Oise and the Argonne battle attacking enemy emplacements it onary Forces in Siberia." and should the French are pressing the enemy lard and giving him little chance to lard and giving him little chance to lard and giving him little chance to large larg

ington today through official sources by way of a neutral country.

Another Upset in Ger- Coast Batteries Not Fir- Founders at Hoboken Autocracy Must Go Coning—Probably Been Withdrawn.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—It was Field Marshal von Hindenburg himself and not the sup-

posedly pacifist premier, Prince Maximilian, who caused the German government to accept

President Wilson's peace terms and seek an armistice, according to advices which reached Wash-

Pier — Cause a Mystery.

OUITHUNS APPLY TORCH WAS READY TO SAIL REPLY SATISFACTORY

Solf May Succeed Maximilian.

man Politics Is

Forecast.

of another turnover in the German in Flanders which at first appeared America, formerly the German transchancellor. The Berlin National Zeit. to be exceedingly heavy, is reported to Atlantic passenger steamship America, German peace note by the Liberal ung prints a report of a discussion by an inter-party committee of the letter Prince Maximilian wrote to Prince Alexander of Hohenlohe, which showed a markedly different attitude in political affairs from that proposed in

his reichstag address. The committee, according to the newspaper, recognized that the situa-tion rendered Prince Maximilian's rerumors are current in certain circles in Berlin that Prince Maximilian's retirethe National Zeitung.

correspondent attributes this develop, and a battalion commander. ment to the "imminent abdication of The enemy has begun blowing up the kaiser," which he says the kaiser material which he could not remove wished to announce two months ago and the torch is being applied to the

there is little likelihood of further above showed that Prince Maximilian attack. South of Lichtervelde the Britwas reactionary in his political atti- ish have driven well to the east. They tude and that he was at that time, have passed through Roulers and are the wind holds from the south, fire January 12, 1918, a firm supporter of still advancing. They are also operatthe German royal family

Painful Impression in Austria. BASEL, Oct. 15.—America's failure to respond to the Austrian peace note nsurance Companies Lose Heavily has produced a painful impression in es. The public is asking if President

Wilson is not indicating sentiment lit-

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 .- Persistent efforts, having their origin in Berlin, both neutral and belligerent countries to call a conference which practically would be a peace conference. the movement received much support in Sweden, Holland and Switzerland, it had not met with favor in the en-

tente countries. Dr. Charles S. MacFarland, general secretary of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, inquired into the matter on his recent trip to Europe and his report was made public here today by the federal

The federal council did not reply to Siberta should be in the mails before Dr. MacFarland's inquiry. His report October 25, the war department today says that "nothing should be allowed innounced. Each package should bear to bring any weakening influence to

council

New Foreign Minister Blowing Up Materials Troops on Guard and De-Wilson's Denunciation and Burning Towns tails Denied Enas They Go.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN Holland report there is a probability BELGIUM, Oct. 14.—Enemy resistance before the American troop transport French and Belgian advance today with soldiers and supplies, the vessel there were indications that the enemy was withdrawing the remainder of his material from the coast of Belgium.

Reports were slow coming in but most significant of all the features of the battle was the fact that the German coast batteries were not firing. Coast Guns Withdrawn,

The artillery reacted heavily south of Roulers after the allied attack was launched, but north of the city this ment Is inevitable also is reported in the National Zeitung. Rotterdam reports to the Telegraph The German rear guards were overthat Prince Max's probable successor come and further north the enemy rewill be Dr. W. S. Solf, the new foreign sistance finally grew lighter as the minister, or Philipp Scheidemann, secretary of state without portfolio. The

Only a thin enemy barrage was en-The text of the letter referred to countered by the British during their ing quite a distance east of the main largest of the government's transports, through the Swiss foreign office. Roulers road.

British Receive Wilson Note. LONDON, Oct. 15.-The text President Wilson's reply to the German peace offer, received through troops, it was said that only 200 or 300 press channels, was placed in the were on board at the time. All the hands of the members of the British coal had been placed in the bunkers tle favorable toward the Austrian government early this morning. The except a small portion to have been council met shortly after 11 o'clock to loaded today. onsider the president's response.

> Raiding Near Lille, LONDON, Oct. 15.—Raiding opera ions on several portions of the Britsh front, notably near Sainghin-en-Weppes, southwest of Lille, are re ported by Field Marshal Haig in his official statement today. Prisoners were taken by the British parties.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 15.- The Ger-France that in common with her al- been taken off safely. The cause of the lies, France undertake to refrain from sinking was unknown but it was said bombarding the large towns of north-that the ship was undergoing interior ern France and enter into an agreement with Germany to permit at any large to the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at Coument with Germany to permit at any large to the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at Coument with Germany to permit at any large to the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at Coument with Germany to permit at any large to the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at Coument with Germany to permit at any large to the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at Coument with Germany to permit at any large to the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at Coument with Germany to permit at any large to the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at Coument with Germany to permit at the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at Coument with Germany to permit at the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at Coument with the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at Coument with the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at Coument with the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at Coument with the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at Coument with the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government at the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government with the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government with the said of the war and a separate appeal from the re-organized government with the said of the war and a separate appeal from the war and a separate ap ment with Germany to permit, at any rate, a portion of the population of Valenciennes to pass into the French

this proposal represented itself as unable to prevent the eastward flight of the population of Valenciennes, owing to their fears that the allies would to their fears that the allies would said to their fears that the allies would said to their fears that the allies would said the said to their fears that the allies would said the said to their fears that the allies would said the pler for distribution arms as a troop transport.

quirers.

have been broken. After the British, was about to sail today for Europe foundered at her pier here.

In the early morning darkness while the troops aboard were sleeping the America settled with her keel in the mud, leaving only three of her eight decks together with parts of her fun-

So far as is known up to noon there trapped in the boiler room.

Troops were placed on guard outside the pier and details regarding the tery even to navy department officials. that water poured into the holds as a result of uncompleted repairs appar ently did not conform with the fact that the ship was ready to weigh an chor today for a foreign port.

It was learned that a gang of ma-

chinists was at work at the time the opened a sea-cock under the impres sion that he was closing it.

was within sight of persons crossing the lower Hudson river on ferry boats. The America of 22,622 tons gross, of has a capacity for carrying 8,000 troops and a crew of 1,200

ported to have escaped, it was believed defeat by compromise Inasmuch as all the troops are rethe yessel sank slowly.

HOBOKEN, N. J., Oct. 15 .- The American transport America sank at her pier here this morning. She was reported to have troops on board and that the allies of Germany will hear although details were withheld by the from him until the dominant factor authorities it was reported that about the crew were thirty or forty of drowned in the boiler room.

All the troops were reported to have way to do with the entrance of water into her hold.

lines, says an official statement from Berlin.

Hamburg-American line passenger were still in their berths. In their hurship Amerika. She registers 22,626 tons The German government in making gross. She was taken over here when most of them had no time to don their this proposal represented itself as un- the United States entered the war. The clothes

sidered First Condition of Peace.

of Wanton Destruction Meets Approbation.

LONDON, Oct 15 - The German auover President's Wilson reply to the Star, which like most of the Liberal newspapers considers this one of the first conditions of peace with the central powers.

A condition in the reply which is given great display by the newspapers that which asks for guarantees for the maintenance of the present milltary supremacy of the allied armies. Satisfaction is expressed with Presi-

was no loss of life. Earlier reports were that between thirty and forty of dent Wilson's reference to the continthe crew had perished after being ued sinkings by German submarines and the "wanton destruction" in occupied territory while his decision that the conditions of an armistice must be sinking were denied to inquirers. The cause of the accident remained a mys. left to the military advisers of the entente appears to agree with the phrase so often quoted in the newspapers A theory expressed in some quarters during the last few days-"leave it to

> WILSON NOTE ON CABLES. WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 .- President Wilson's reply to Germany, ending talk of an armistice until the Germans

are ready to surrender and finally vessel settled and it was suggested closing the door to peace negotiations that one of their men inadverently with kaiserism, was on the cables today, if it actually had not arrived at Berne. Only a few hours should be re-The submerged America next to the quired for its delivery at Berne Atmosphere Is Cleared.

The feeling is apparent in Washington that the atmosphere is clearer than before Prince Maximilian came forward with his peace drive; that the purposes of the United States and the allies are more than ever clearly stated and that the powers in Berlin and the German people now must see the futility of further attempts to avert

Word From Turkey Awaited. So far the president had dealt only with the proposal of the German government leaving unanswered similar pleas for peace from Austria-Hungary and Turkey. There is no indication in the central alliance makes another move unless one or both of them in the meantime should plead anew, seek-

The transport was formerly the big this morning while most of the troops